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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>Application Number</i>	09/934,468 # 14/RCA
<i>Filing Date</i>	August 23, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Tatsuya OKA et al. Hawken S.I.P.E 8/6/03
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2839
<i>Examiner Name</i>	H. HYEON JUL 22 2003
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	P20961

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on June 25, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Request for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.163(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.  Check in the amount of \$860.00 enclosed
- b.  If payment in the appropriate amount is not enclosed, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this paper, including the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e), any extension of time fees (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) necessary to render the RCE timely, and any suspension fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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## PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective October 1, 2001

~~RCE~~ CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

TOTAL CLAIMS

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT

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## CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM

AMENDMENT A

AMENDMENT B

AMENDMENT C

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